

## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hideaki YAMANAKA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1773

Application No.:

09/944,193

Examiner:

H. Rickman

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Docket No.:

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For:

MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM AND MAGNETIC RECORDING APPARATUS

## AMENDMENT FILED WITH RCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the October 18, 2004, Office Action and upon grant of the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and Remarks.